

**Amendment to the Claims**

1. -4. (Cancelled)

5. (Amended) A device for applying varnish ~~according to claim 1, to~~  
an electric wire comprising:

a trough like container located below the electric wire in the prescribed  
moving direction so as to correspond to said electric wire; and

varnish dropping means located above the electric wire so as to  
correspond to said electric wire and including a tank for storing the varnish, a  
supplying tube which is communicated with the tank and through which the varnish is  
supplied and a flow-rate adjusting means for adjusting the flow-rate of the varnish to  
be dropped,

wherein said container is detachably attached to an attaching plate  
provided upright on a tray through a holder, the electric wire is movable in a  
prescribed moving direction at a prescribed speed, and said varnish dropping means  
drops a desired quantity of varnish toward the outer surface of the electric wire which  
is moving at the prescribed speed through the flow-rate adjusting means so that an  
insulating layer of varnish having a uniform thickness is formed on the outer surface  
of the electric wire.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Amended) A device for applying varnish ~~according to claim 1, to~~  
an electric, comprising:

a trough-like container located below the electric wire in the prescribed moving direction so as to correspond to said electric wire; and

varnish dropping means located above the electric wire so as to correspond to said electric wire and including a tank for storing the varnish, a supplying tube which is communicated with the tank and through which the varnish is supplied and a flow-rate adjusting means for adjusting the flow-rate of the varnish to be dropped;

wherein said flow rate adjusting means includes:

a dropping nozzle attached to the tip of said supply tube;

an operating knob provided outside the dropping nozzle, the inner aperture of the nozzle being adapted to be adjustable;

a nozzle holder fit in the outer surface of the dropping nozzle; and

a guiding member having a  $\supset$  shape in section, said guiding member being slidably fit in the outside of the nozzle holder in a direction orthogonal to the moving direction of the electric wire, and

wherein the electric wire is movable in a prescribed moving direction at a prescribed speed, and said varnish dropping means drops a desired quantity of varnish toward the outer surface of the electric wire which is moving at the prescribed speed through the flow-rate adjusting means so that an insulating layer of varnish having a uniform thickness is formed on the outer surface of the electric wire.